

PLANNING BOARD
MEMORIAL BUILDING

JANUARY 17, 2013
7:00 P.M.

The following are to be considered draft minutes only until approved by the Board at their next meeting.

Present: Peter Keene, George McCusker, Ken Jacques, Darrin Patten, Don Hill, and Mike Howard
Others Present: Cynthia Bruss, Bryan O'Day, Mike Mccrory, Justin Hastings, and John Trachy, and Jim Roberts.

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review of December minutes: Mike made a motion to approve the minutes, Second by Darrin and unanimously approved

Consultation/Jim Roberts: Jim Roberts approached the board explaining that he owns the property on 4A formerly owned by the Sevignys. He has a 5.91 Acre lot and wants to make 2 or 3 lots of he can. He explained that one barn on the property was gone and the other is about 90% gone. He acknowledges that there are a lot of wetlands on the property. The board reviewed the plans. Darrin explained that in order for the property to be sub dividable that there has to be at least 1.5 acres of perfect soil. Mike Howard questioned whether or not there is even enough acreage on the property to be able to subdivide. The board explained to Jim that he has to take total acres and subtract any wetlands and then see what he has to work with. The board advised for him to get a wetland's scientist to determine exactly how much wetlands there are, and to see if he meets the criteria for minimal acres.

Wetlands Subcommittee Report: Mike Mccrory addresses the board. He explained that we will go forward with filling out the application for the community planning grant. \$30,000 per grant. He explained how the process would work and some of the guiding principles that the application would address. He says that public outreach is 5% of the grant such as (mass mailings, school kids, etc...) He said we would then take the approach on what the grant requires such as findings and proposals. Mike is looking for a subcommittee to review the application. Mike Howard volunteered. Mike Howard explained he still had some misgivings about using the map and how accurate it would be. He questioned how often the map would have to be updated and the cost. He feels it would be a real dis-service to the town to go from map based vs. project by project. Darrin explained that at least the map would give us something to go by and could potentially pay for itself in the end.

Bryan O' Day also volunteered to be on the subcommittee for the grant application along with Mike Howard.

There was a lot of discussion around getting different letters of support from different people and associations. Commercial interests and letters from conservation groups and town boards.

Mike Mccrory also stated that we need volunteers to do some ground work and to facilitate Large community events (old home day)

Peter Keene stated he would be a contact for the school to get kid's participation.

Misc. Business: John Trachy approached the board with some concerns that the Subcommittee Report was not going to be included in the Town Report. Don Hill explained that the selectman advised that if the report is going to be submitted that it should be submitted by Kevin Lee along with his report not included in the Selectman's report.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes by,
Susan Abair